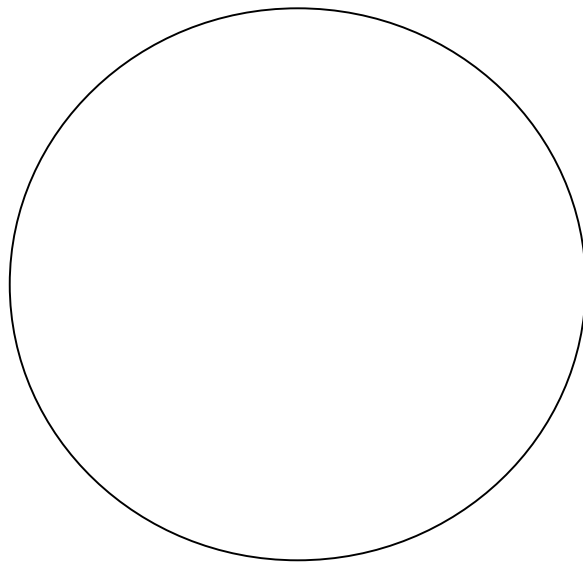

Governor's Fellowship



application for
2004-2005



A Message from Governor Kernan

The men and women who dedicate themselves to public service work hard every day to make their communities better places to live, work and raise a family. In Indiana, recent college graduates have a special opportunity to learn about the benefits of public service through the Governor's Fellowship Program.

This unique hands-on program allows participants to gain insight into the inner workings of state government, acquire valuable experience, and appreciate the positive influence they can have on the lives of Hoosiers across Indiana. At the conclusion of their year of service, fellows may be considered for permanent employment in state government.

Serving the public is a rewarding and enriching career. The Governor's Fellowship Program is an opportunity to experience the challenges and achievements of government work, while exploring the possibilities of a career in public service.

Where are they now?

Amy Bilyeu, 1992-93
Chief of Staff,
Office of Lieutenant Governor, Kathy Davis

Bryan Nicol, 1988-89
Comissioner
Indiana Department of Transportation

Steve Campbell, 1992-93
Communications Director,
Office of the Mayor, Indianapolis

Tag Birge, 1993-94
Associate,
Bose McKinney & Evans, LLP

Erin Murray Strother, 1995-96
U.S. State Department
Washington, D.C.

Sohini Gupta, 1995-96
Legislative Assistant,
U.S. Senator Evan Bayh

Cheryl Gonzalez, 1999-2000
Law Student,
University of Minnesota

Susan Kilty, 2000-2001
Deputy Director of Legislative Affairs
Family and Social Services Administration

What is the Governor's Fellowship Program?

The Governor's Fellowship provides a unique 12-month experience in Indiana state government. Governor's Fellows are assigned on a rotating basis to various state agencies. During their time in the different rotations, Fellows learn management skills, participate in daily activities of government, travel with officials to observe how work in the Capitol is translated into action throughout the state, complete special projects, and see first hand how policy is made. Additionally, Fellows are paired with top policy officials who serve as mentors during the Fellowship year.

Governor's Fellows have worked in agencies such as the Governor's Office, the Lieutenant Governor's Office, the Family and Social Services Administration, the State Budget Agency, the Indiana State Police, the Federal Liaison's Office, and the Departments of Environmental Management, Commerce, Health, and Natural Resources, among others.

Now anticipating its 23rd class, the Governor's Fellowship Program is a highly selective program, which recruits talented young men and women each year. Many Fellows choose to continue on in state government after completing their Fellowship, while others pursue positions in the private sector or choose to further their education at graduate institutions. All participants leave the Fellowship having gained an unforgettable learning experience while contributing immeasurably to state government.

ELIGIBILITY

The Governor's Fellowship Program is open to college graduates who receive their bachelor's degrees in either Fall of 2003 or Spring of 2004. While any such graduate may apply, special consideration is given to applicants from Indiana, and likely candidates will have a B- or above grade point average.

SELECTION

The steering committee conducts an initial review of the applications; the most qualified candidates are then selected to interview with the committee at the State House in Indianapolis. After the interviews, the committee forwards its recommendations to the Governor based on applicants leadership skills, academic record, references, quality of essay and overall interest in state government. The Governor then makes the final selection of Governor's Fellows. Recipients of the Fellowship will be notified as soon as possible following the Governor's decision.

SALARY

Governor's Fellows receive a competitive salary (approximately \$22,000) plus full fringe benefits during the Fellowship year. The year of service corresponds with the state fiscal year, July 1, 2004 S June 30, 2005.

APPLICATION MATERIALS

To obtain an application, please call **317 / 232-1262** or download it from the fellowship website at: **www.in.gov/gov/fellowship**.

The completed application and all supporting documentation (A current official college transcript, the required essay, and at least four letters of recommendation) should be mailed in **one packet** to:

**The Governor's Fellowship Program
Office of the Governor
State House, Room 206
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2797**

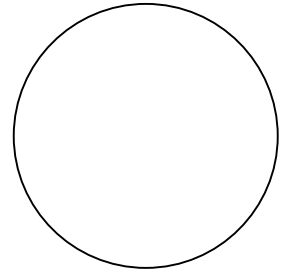
To be eligible for consideration, applications must be postmarked by **January 30, 2004**. Again, all application material must be mailed together to avoid loss of documentation. Material sent separately will not be accepted.

Visit our website at
<http://www.in.gov/gov>

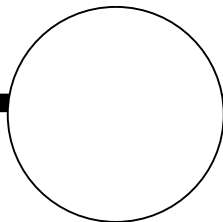


2003-2004 Governor's Fellows (L-R) Aaron Smith- Indiana Univeristy;
Stacey Martindale, Indiana University; Governor Joseph E. Kernan;
Sarah Johnston, Indiana University; Emily Jones, Purdue University
and Matthew Ewing, Indiana University

*Office of the Governor
State House, Room 206
Indianapolis, IN 46204*



FIRST CLASS MAIL



Application for the Governor's Fellowship Program

(Applications must be typed; may be photocopied)

Name Mr./ Ms. _____

Current Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ / _____ Work Phone _____ / _____

Permanent Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ / _____ Work Phone _____ / _____

***After May 1, 2004, which information should be used to contact you? (circle one)

Current Address

Permanent Address

Education

A current, official grade transcript must be included in the application packet. No other version will be accepted

Undergraduate Institution _____

Location _____ Grade Point Average _____

Major(s) _____

Minor(s) _____

Degree's Earned _____ Date Conferred _____

Other Institutions Attended _____

Honors and Activities

(Please attach a separate document, if necessary)

Work Experience

Please account for the last two years of employment.

(A resume containing all requested information may be submitted for this portion of the application. The resume must be received with application packet.)

Name/Location of Employer _____

Dates of Employment _____ Position _____

Responsibilities _____

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Responsibilities _____

Hobbies and Special Interests

References

At least four, but no more than six, letters of recommendation must be submitted with the application. List the names and positions of references below. Letters of recommendation should illustrate diversity in an applicant's background.

Essay

Please include a brief typewritten essay (approx. 500 words) in response to the following question.

What do you see as the greatest challenge facing the State of Indiana? What role can the government play in confronting this challenge?

*****COMPLETED APPLICATIONS DUE JANUARY 30, 2004*****
(including transcripts, reference letters and essay)
